



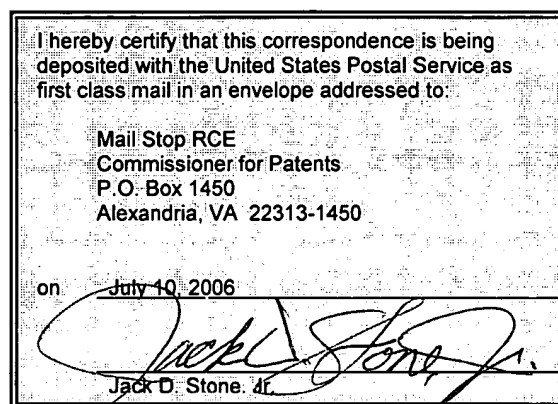
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

Sir:

In response to the final Office action dated March 8, 2006, the time to respond to which has been extended to July 8, 2006, by a Petition for Extension of Time included herewith, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.